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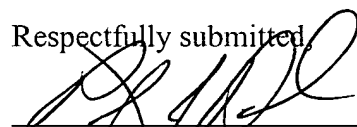
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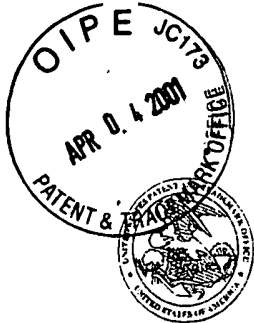
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Closure
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- ☒ Check in payment of \$130 surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application;
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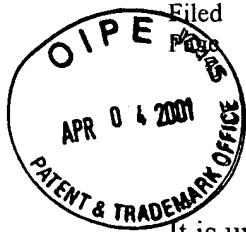
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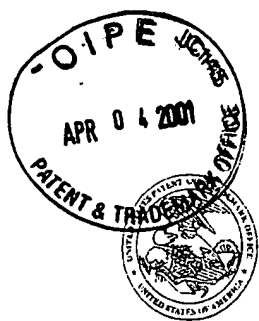
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